Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—No doubt, but it can contribute only out of its own income and not from the money given by Government as grant.

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—I want the Minister to make it clear whether a village panchayat or a Taluk Development Board can give a portion of its assets either from out of the money received from Government or from its own resources?

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—It has been made clear in the circular that in respect of these works the contribution should be either in cash or labour or material contributed by the people or from the income of the village panchayat out of the resources raised by its own taxes, fines, fees or proceeds from its assets and not from the grants made available by the Government to the village panchayat.

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.–In that case it raises legal complications because under the Act the entire assets either received as grant or land revenue assignment from the Government or raised through its own taxes, fines, etc., form the assets of the Taluk Development Board or the Village Panchayat. Out of that the Taluk Development Board or the Village Panchayat is entitled to spend any amount depending upon the nature of the work it has to undertake. How can by a circular the Government restrict the capacity of the Taluk Development Board or the Village Panchayat to spend its amount on whatever work it likes?

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Sri B. D. JATTI.—That is a point for clarification. If we strictly and legally mean public contribution, it may not amount to be public contribution. In some of the villages where it is beyond the capacity of the public to contribute the money, as a special case we have allowed village panchayats to give then own money. But on the view or opinion expressed, we will re-examine the whole question.

WORKING OF THE PATHOLOGY DEPARTMENT IN THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL, BANGALORE.

*Q.—629. Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU (Cubbonpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Victoria Hospital is equipped with Pathology Department;

(*b*) whether the Department is working satisfactorily;

(*c*) whether there has not been cases when blood list certificates are issued with wrong figures and if so who is responsible for the same?

A.—Sri K. K. HEGDE (Minister for Health).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Do you supply spirits to the hospitals?

†Sri K. K. HEGDE.—Do you mean 'denatured spirit' or any other spirit?

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Whatever spirit is supplied, is it being used in the hospital or in what from it is used?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—It would depend upon the specific purpose for which it is intended to be used; for that purpose, it is being used.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—Has it come to the notice of Government that the reading of ·5 per cent has been treated in several cases as 5 per cent?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I do not catch the Honourable Member saying that ·5 is treated as 5., .5 can never be treted as 5.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—The unfortunate thing is, it has been treated that way. I would like to say that the Government at least takes note of it. I am not saying it for the sake of fun.

Sri K. K.HEGDE.—It is not for fun the Government are answering. If the Honourable Member were to bring to notice any specific instance where ·5 is treated as 5, surely Government will take action.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—In the Pathology Department who is the authority; is that man the ward, boy; who is the ultimate authority? Is it the doctor in charge of this particular department?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I am really surprised at this type of statement. We hold every medical officer entrusted with this particular job responsible.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—What is the measure or safeguard that the Government has in case a mistake is committed by somebody? Is there any authority to supervise over him, or is there a safeguard by which an error committed can be corrected?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—At every stage we have.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—What is the remedy or the safeguard that the department has got?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—I do not know in what connection the Honourable Member is putting that question. If he had brought to notice a specific instance, Government would have examined and given a detailed statement. There is no use beating about the bush.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.—That is why I brought this question as a short notice question to be taken up at a very early stage so that we can discuss it at great length...

Mr. SPEAKER.—It does not matter now.

Sri V. P. DEENADAYALU NAIDU.— In fact, some of the figures have been left out so that Government could have focussed their attention on that particular aspect. That is not available. I do not know whether I should raise half an hour discussion on the question.

Mr. SPEAKER.—He can.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—In answer to (*b*) as to whether the derpatment is working satisfactorily, you have stated 'Yes'. Is it not a fact that when urine of a male was examined, after three days the report was 'pregnant with albumen' ?

Sri K. K. HEGDE.—Probably the Honourable Member has taken it wrongly. For 'present with albumen' he has taken it 'pregnant with albumen'.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Question time is over.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

CONFIRMATION OF TEACHERS WHO JOINED SERVICES AFTER 1ST MAY 1958.

*Q.—301. Sri P. ANJANAPPA (Sira).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the teachers that joined service after 1-5-1958 have been confirmed;

(*b*) the reasons for not confirming the teachers that were appointed before 1-1-1958;

(*c*) whether they would take action to confirm them at least now?

*A.—Sri ANNARAO GANAMUKHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes, some of them.

(*b*) Inter-State Seniority lists have not been finalised.

(*c*) Necessary action will be taken.

GOVERNMENT LAND SANCTIONED FOR CULTIVATION IN THE STATE SINCE 1957-58.

*Q.—440. Sri T. HANUMIAH (Challakere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the acreage of Government land sanctioned for cultivation in the State since 1957-58;